



Senate

General Assembly

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File No. 836

Senate Bill No. 246

Senate, April 30, 2009

The Committee on Appropriations reported through SEN. HARP of the 10th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING A COMMISSION ON FEDERAL STIMULUS DISTRIBUTION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established the
- 2 Federal Stimulus Distribution Commission to make recommendations
- 3 to the Governor and General Assembly concerning the distribution of
- 4 funds made available to the state from federal legislation intended to
- 5 promote the recovery of the state or national economy, including, but
- 6 not limited to, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.
- 7 (b) The commission shall consist of the following members:
- 8 (1) Four appointed by the Governor;
- 9 (2) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 10 (3) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 11 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of

12 Representatives;

13 (5) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

14 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
15 Representatives; and

16 (7) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate.

17 (c) Any member of the commission appointed under subdivision
18 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (7) of subsection (b) of this section may be a
19 member of the General Assembly.

20 (d) All appointments to the commission shall be made no later than
21 fifteen days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
22 filled by the appointing authority.

23 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
24 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the
25 commission, from among the members of the commission. Such
26 chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the commission, which
27 shall be held no later than thirty days after the effective date of this
28 section.

29 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
30 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
31 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies shall serve as
32 administrative staff of the commission.

33 (g) Not later than June 1, 2009, the commission shall submit an
34 initial report on its findings and recommendations for the distribution
35 of available or anticipated federal funds to the Governor and the joint
36 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
37 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in
38 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.
39 The commission shall submit subsequent reports in accordance with
40 this subsection as additional federal funds become available or are
41 anticipated to become available, but not less frequently than every six

42 months.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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APP *Joint Favorable*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 10 \$	FY 11 \$
Legislative Mgmt.	GF - None	None	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill establishes the Federal Stimulus Distribution Commission. The commission must report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by June 1, 2009.

The bill permits members of the General Assembly to participate on the commission, and requires the staff of the Appropriations Committee to provide administrative assistance. To convene a commission meeting during the legislative session will not result in a fiscal impact.

OFA Bill Analysis**SB 246*****AN ACT CONCERNING A COMMISSION ON FEDERAL STIMULUS DISTRIBUTION.*****SUMMARY:**

The bill establishes the Federal Stimulus Distribution Commission to make recommendations concerning the distribution of federal funds intended to promote the recovery of the state economy. The commission must report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by June 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 36 Nay 13 (04/13/09)